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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 10367/2123
Serial No. To Be Assigned	Filing Date 9/30/03	Examiner To Be Assigned	Group Art Unit To Be Assigned
Inventor(s) Justine C. Patterson, Salvatore R. Siano, and Chi Kin John Mak			
Title of Invention APPLIANCE FOR VACUUM SEALING FOOD CONTAINERS			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is A Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Preliminary Amendment; and White Acknowledgement Postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
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Small Entity		or	Other Than Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee		Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$9=			x \$18=	
x 43=			x \$86=	
+\$145=			+ \$290=	
Total add'l fee	\$		Total add'l fee	\$

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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